



Declaration and Power of Attorney For Patent Application

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My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled BALL RAMP ACTUATOR FOR LOCKING MECHANISM (Attorney Docket No. 091395-9246 (4896-TC-AU)), the specification of which was filed with my authority, on September 27, 2001 as Application Serial No. 09/966,217.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

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Application Serial No. 60/246,002 Filing Date 3 November 2000

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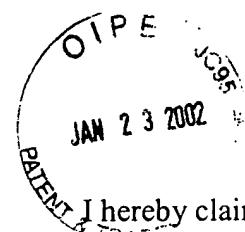
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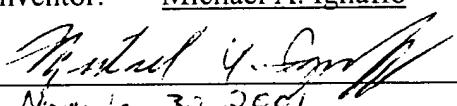
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